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: A Truss Structure, Structural Members Thereof, and a

Method of Manufacture Therefor

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Sir:

The following is responsive to the Office Action mailed on or about May 17, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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